IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 15 - line 24, as follows:

Example 6

Preparation of (1S,2S)-bis-[N-(2-carboxyethylethyl)amino]-1,2-diphenylethane

2.0 g of (1S,2S)-diphenylethylenediamine (9.4 mmol) are dissolved in 50 ml of ethanol. After adding 2.2 ml of ethyl acrylate (20.7 mmol), the mixture is stirred at room temperature for 48 h. Ethanol and excess acrylic ester are distilled off under reduced pressure. The residue remaining is the desired ligand as a homogeneous compound.